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S. P. Grasso,
Superintendent of Public Works,
Milford, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Grasso:

You have inquired as to the meaning of the word
"premises" as used in Revised Laws, c. 165, s. 8.

The word "premises" has acquired no fixed legal
meaning. It usually refers to land and buildings, but is often
used to refer to either land or buildings. See Carr v. Insurance
Company, 60 N.H. 513.

In this instance the word "premises" as used in
the statute refers back to dwelling-house. Consequently it is my
opinion that the Legislature contemplated a dwelling-house existing
within one hundred feet of a public sewer and in no way anticipated
requiring sewer connections if the dwelling-house was situated more
than one hundred feet from the sewer.

Very truly yours,

Henry Dowst, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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